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SUBJECT: COSTA RICAN POSITION ON CHILE
RECOGNITION

1. IN RESPONSE TO AN INTERNATIONAL PRESS REPORT THAT COSTA RICA HAD RECOGNIZED THE NEW CHILEAN GOVERNMENT, THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS ISSUED A PRESS RELEASE OVER THE WEEKEND STATING THAT COSTA RICA HAD NOT RPT NOT "RECOGNIZED" THE NEW REGIME.

2. THE ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT COSTA RICA FOLLOWS THE ESTRADA DOCTRINE IN WHICH THE LEGAL ISSUE OF RECOGNITION DOES NOT TECHNICALLY ARISE, AND RELATIONS ARE CONTINUED. IN THE PRESENT CASE, HOWEVER, THE MINISTER SAID, THE GOCR HAD NOT ANNOUNCED THE "CONTINUANCE"
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OF RELATIONS AND HAD BEEN VERY CAREFUL TO

TAKE NO ACTION TO INDICATE THE RENEWAL
OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. THE REASON WAS
THAT THE GOCR WAS CAREFULLY OBSERVING THE
SITUATION TO SEE IF IT STABILIZED AND IF
THE NEW REGIME IS IN FACT IN CONTROL. LATER
HE INDICATED, THE GOCR WOULD INDICATE THAT
RELATIONS CONTINUED. THE MINISTER WENT ON
TO EXPLAIN THAT THE PRESS RELEASE USED THE
WORD "RECOGNIZED" IN THE POPULAR SENSE TO
MEAN RENEWAL OF DIPLOMATIC INTERCOURSE, AND
THE PURPOSE OF THE RELEASE WAS TO CORRECT
THE IMPLICATION OF THE PRESS REPORTS THAT
COSTA RICA HAD IN FACT ESTABLISHED CONTACT
AND DEALINGS WITH THE NEW GOVERNMENT, SOMETHING
WHICH IT HAS NOT DONE.
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